21. Manipur State Drugs & Pharmaceuticals Ltd.
22. Mazagon Dock Ltd.
23. National Jute Manufacturers Corporation Ltd.
24. National Seeds Corporation Ltd.
25. National Textile Corporation Ltd.
26. National Textile Corporation (South Maharashtra) Ltd.*
27. North Eastern Electric Power Corporation Ltd.
28. Project & Development India Ltd.
29. Southern Pesticides Corporation Ltd.*

*Kept in abeyance.

Scam in the allocation of telecasting rights

†1493. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a big scam has taken place in the allocation of telecasting rights;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) to (c) Certain irregularities regarding purchase of telecast rights and contract for marketing rights of some sports events, shown on Doordarshan, are the subject matter of ongoing investigations by Central Bureau of Investigation. Disclosure of details will hamper the investigations. Further action will depend upon findings of the investigation.

Urdu newspapers receiving newsprint quota

1494. SHRI MOHD. AZAM KHAN: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Newspapers/periodicals in Urdu to which quota of Newsprint was given during the year 1999-2000; and

(b) the names of these Newspapers/periodicals alongwith the details of their circulation and the quantum of quota of Newsprint given to each of them?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.